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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated April 30, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Abstract are presented as a new Abstract herein for insertion after the claim pages of the application (or to replace the previously submitted Abstract).

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: